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Town of Plainfield

NEW HAMPSHIRE

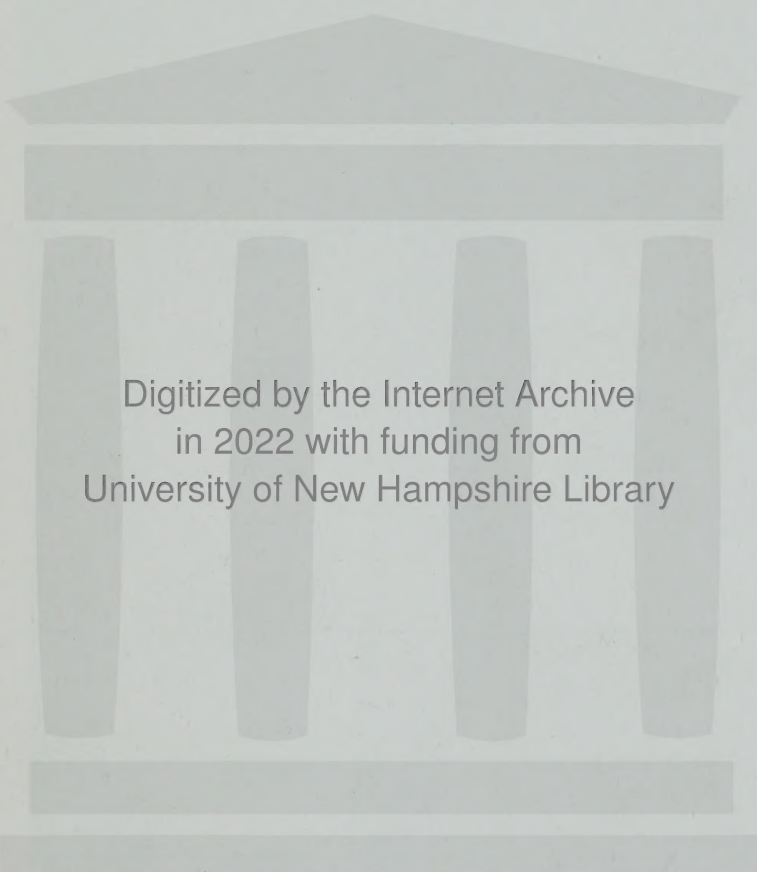
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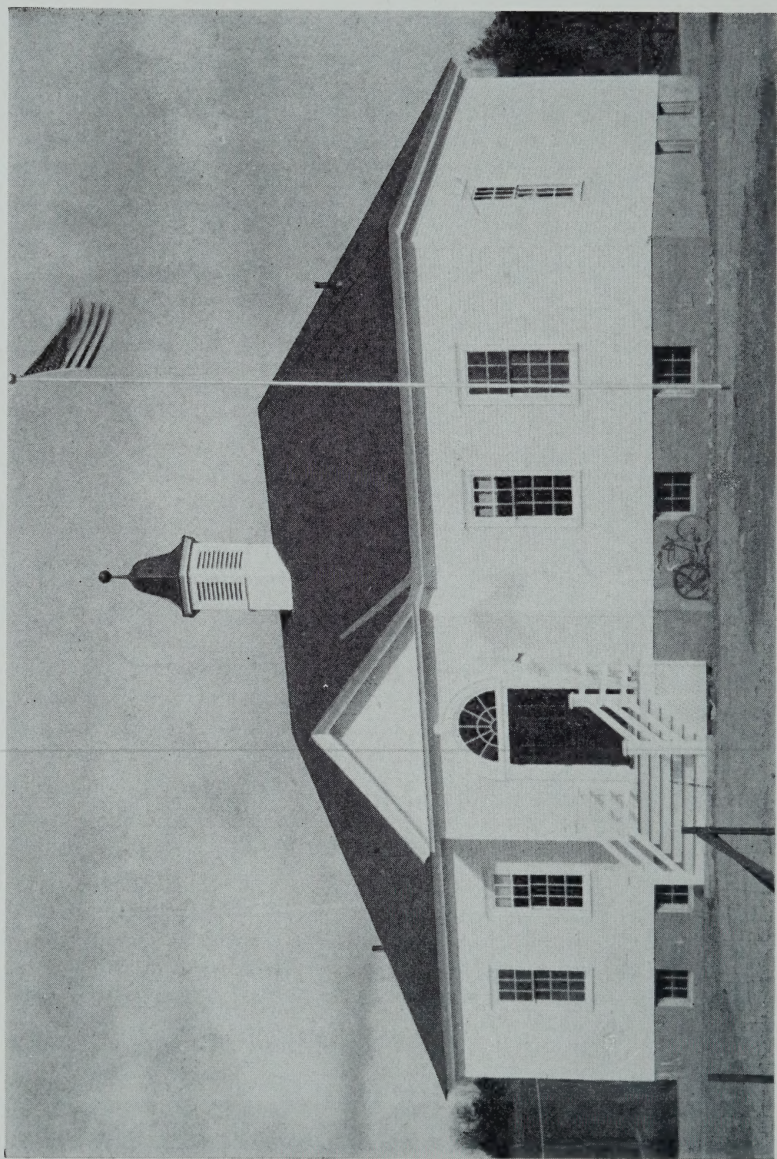
January 31, 1940







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ANNUAL REPORTS  
OF THE  
OFFICERS  
OF THE  
TOWN OF PLAINFIELD, N. H.  
FOR THE  
Financial Year Ending January 31  
1940

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## TOWN WARRANT

March, 1940

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### THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Plainfield, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the Town Hall, Meriden, in said town on the second Tuesday of March next at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

**Article 1.** To choose a Town Clerk, one Selectman for three years, Treasurer, Tax Collector, one or more Highway Agents, one Trustee of Trust Funds for one year, one Trustee of Trust Funds for three years, two Library Trustees for three years and all other necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

**Article 2.** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to pay outstanding notes and interest.

**Article 3.** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to pay all other necessary town expenses for the ensuing year.

**Article 4.** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the support of Town poor.

**Article 5.** To see if the Town will vote to raise the amount of money required by law to secure State Aid on Class 5 highways plus any additional amounts necessary.

**Article 6.** To see if the Town will vote to accept State Aid for construction of the Class 2 road known as the Plainfield-Meriden Stage road, and raise for said purpose the sum of \$1174.50. The State will contribute \$2348.00. Or to accept State Aid for construction of Class 5 roads and raise the sum of \$808.01 and the State will contribute \$3232.07.

**Article 7.** To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise to assist citizens of Plainfield for a ward bed as needed in the Mary Hitchcock Hospital, Claremont Hospital, or both, also to appoint a committee or make resolutions regarding the same.

**Article 8.** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Memorial Day.

**Article 9.** To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise for snow removal.

**Article 10.** To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise for Dr. E. L. Huse to assure the inhabitants of Plainfield the services of a resident physician. By Request.

**Article 11.** To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$400 to assist in the control of White Pine Blister Rust.

**Article 12.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40.00 for the issuance and distribution of printed matter calling attention to the resources and natural advantages of the town, in cooperation with other towns in the Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region. Said appropriation to be disbursed by the Selectmen.

**Article 13.** To see if the Town will vote to discontinue, subject to gates and bars, the road beginning at the Gonyea road near the Park gate and continuing southerly to the Cornish Town line. By Request.

**Article 14.** To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the road beginning at a point near the barn belonging to Herbert Adams to the end of same, approximately one-half mile. By Request.

**Article 15.** To see what action the Town will take in regard to the purchase or renting of snow removal equipment and raise any money required for same.



**Article 16.** To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to administer or dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town through tax collector Deeds.

**Article 17.** To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes to be paid on or before one year pursuant to the laws of 1917.

**Article 18.** To see if the Town will vote to allow a discount of 2% on all 1940 Property taxes paid on or before July 10.

**Article 19.** To see if the Town will vote to dispense with delivering inventory blanks until the time of taking inventory.

**Article 20.** To see what action the Town will take in regard to the reports of the Town Officers.

**Article 21.** To transact any other business that may legally and properly come before said meeting.

Given under our hand and seal this 23rd day of February, nineteen hundred forty.

Fred A. Mark,  
Earle W. Colby,  
John W. Whitney,  
Selectmen of Plainfield, N. H.

A true Copy—Attest:

Fred A. Mark,  
Earle W. Colby,  
John W. Whitney,

**BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF**  
**Estimates and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year**  
**Revenue and Expenditures of the Previous**

Source of Revenue	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1939	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1940	Increase	Decrease
<b>From State:</b>				
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 6,265.18	\$ 6,000.00	\$	\$ 265.18
Insurance Tax	18.38	20.00	1.62	
Railroad Tax	30.12	30.00		.12
Savings Bank Tax	671.60	650.00		21.60
For Class 5 Highways	223.83	181.13		42.70
For Flood Damage	244.25			244.25
Bounties		40.00	40.00	
<b>From Local Sources</b>				
<b>Except Taxes:</b>				
Rent of Town Hall and Other Buildings	17.75	20.00	2.25	
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	12.44	40.00	27.56	
<b>Income of Departments:</b>				
(a) Highway, including rental of equipment				
(b) Burnap Fund	68.75	68.75		
(c) Oiling Duncan Hill	200.00	200.00		
(d) Plowing Private Drives	29.65			29.65
(e) Lease Land Rent	23.34	25.00	1.66	
Dog Taxes	262.00	275.00	13.00	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,257.27	1,100.00		157.27
Filing Fees		12.00	12.00	
<b>From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:</b>				
(a) Poll Taxes	780.00	800.00	20.00	
(b) National Bank Stock Taxes	53.00	53.00		
Tax Sales Redeemed	274.73	300.00	25.27	
1938 Property Taxes	132.04	50.00		82.04
Sale Cemetery Lots	10.00			10.00
Polls Previous Year	182.00	100.00		82.00
Refunds	122.42	10.00		112.42
<b>Amount Raised by Issue of Bonds or Notes:</b>				
Anticipation Note	12,000.00	12,000.00		
Cash on Hand (Surplus)	1,681.18	2,035.14	353.96	
<b>TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES</b>		\$24,010.02	\$ 497.32	\$ 1,047.23
<b>Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes:</b>	\$25,443.52			
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	\$50,003.45			

# PLAINFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

February 1, 1940 to January 31, 1941 Compared with Actual  
Year February 1, 1939 to January 31, 1940

Purpose of Expenditures	Actual Expendit's Previous Year 1939	Estimated Expendit's Ensuing Year 1940	Increase	Decrease
<i>Current Maintenance Expenses:</i>				
<b>General Government:</b>				
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 1,011.50	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 188.50	\$
Town Officers' Expenses	585.55	600.00	14.45	
Election and Registration Expenses	9.00	200.00	191.00	
Insurance	190.50	190.50		
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Buildings	91.19	250.00	158.81	
<b>Protection of Persons and Property:</b>				
Fire Tools	44.67			44.67
Police Department	143.84	100.00		43.84
Fire Department	298.51			298.51
Bounties	20.80	40.00	19.20	
Dog Damage	59.69	100.00	40.31	
<b>Health:</b>				
Health Department, including hospitals	231.91	200.00		31.91
Vital Statistics	12.75	12.75		
<b>Highways and Bridges:</b>				
Town Maintenance	5,675.02	6,500.00	824.98	
Street Lighting	110.95	90.00		20.95
<b>General Expenses of</b>				
Highway Department	1,365.16	1,350.00		15.16
Taxes Bought by Town	714.36	700.00		14.36
Discounts and Abatements	48.93	50.00	1.07	
<b>Libraries:</b>				
Libraries	102.20	150.00	47.80	
<b>Public Welfare:</b>				
Burnap Fund	44.00	68.75	24.75	
Town Poor	1,040.27	1,200.00	159.73	
Old Age Assistance	605.25	750.00	144.75	
<b>Patriotic Purposes:</b>				
Memorial Day and Other Celebrations	15.95	25.00	9.05	
Aid to Soldiers and their families	32.00			32.00
<b>Recreation:</b>				
Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region	40.00			40.00
<b>Public Service Enterprises:</b>				
Cemeteries	31.50	25.00		6.50
Damage and Legal	90.10	50.00		40.10
<b>Interest:</b>				
On Temporary Loans	278.47	278.47		
On Taxes Bought by Town	5.91	5.91		
On Long Term Notes	408.20	319.00		89.20
<i>Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvement:</i>				
<b>Highways and Bridges:</b>				
Town Construction T. R. A.	805.95	808.01	2.06	
Painting Town Hall at Meriden	175.58			175.58
<b>Indebtedness-</b>				
<b>Payment on Principal of Debt:</b>				
(a) Anticipation Note	12,000.00	12,000.00		
(b) Long Term Notes	2,500.00	2,000.00		500.00
<b>Payments to Other Govern- mental Divisions:</b>				
County Taxes	7,095.83	6,500.00		595.83
Payments to School Dists.	11,976.27	11,756.77		219.50
To Clerk for Auto Permits	106.50	100.00		6.50
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$47,968.31</b>	<b>\$47,620.16</b>	<b>\$ 1,826.46</b>	<b>\$ 2,174.61</b>



## INVENTORY OF THE TOWN ON APRIL 1, 1939

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Land and Buildings	\$690,770.00
Electric Lines	17,360.00
Horses, 107	12,070.00
Oxen, 14	1,380.00
Cows, 614	39,230.00
Neat Stock, 145	5,855.00
Sheep, 207	1,330.00
Hogs	
Fowls, 2310	2310.00
Fur Bearing Animals, 48	595.00
Portable Mills, 3	2300.00
Wood and Lumber	1550.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	880.00
Stock In Trade	5100.00
Meriden Water Co.	2000.00
Mills and Machinery	1000.00
Total Valuation	<hr/> \$783,730.00
Amount exempt to soldiers and soldier's widows	18,740.00
Poll Taxes	1,032.00

# **AMOUNT OF TAXES ASSESSED FOR ALL PURPOSES**

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Outstanding Notes and Interest	\$2,700.00
General Government	3,000.00
Town Poor	2,500.00
Highways and Bridges	4,500.00
Library Tax	49.20
Hospital	300.00
Memorial Day	25.00
Snow Removal	1500.00
State Aid on Class 5 Highways	805.97
County Tax	7,087.76
Paint Town Hall at Meriden	225.00
Forest Fire Tools	50.00
Dartmouth Lake Sunapee Region	40.00
Support of Schools	11,213.00
To find and bound School Lease Land	100.00
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	\$34,095.93.

## **Credits:**

Poll Taxes	1,030.00
Insurance Tax	34.43
National Bank Stock	53.00
Interest and Dividends	6,307.35
Savings Bank Tax	734.10
Railroad Tax	33.32
Motor Permits	1,108.68
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Total Credits	\$9,300.88
Actual Property tax committed to collector including Bank Stock	26,960.14

Tax Rate \$3.30

## ASSETS

Cash on hand	\$2,035.14
Due from land rent	431.63
Due from State for Bounties	20.80
Due from Herbert King error	2.94

### Lien secured by sale of taxes:

Clarence Bates	39.60
Perley Coutermarsh	39.60
Joseph Dube	33.00
Ernest Green	23.10
Clyde Harrington	56.10
Harry Jones	6.60
Leon Magoon	6.60
Chas Peterson Est.	84.15
Chas. Peterson Est.	15.18
Hall Peterson	24.75
Albert Quinty	6.60
Reubin Read	6.60
Amelia Smith	33.00
Chas. Strobel	6.60
Ralph Vail Est.	23.10
Walter Williams	33.00
Katie Pierce	23.00
Clifford Cuddy	33.00
Loren Hilliard Est.	18.15
Chester Jenney	19.80
Helen D. Miller	52.80
Thomas Maloney	16.50
Lewis T. Wallis	49.50
Ralph Wright	23.10
Uncollected tax levy 1938	49.83
Uncollected tax levy 1939	346.86
Unredeemed previous year's tax	313.94

Total	\$3,874.57
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## LIABILITIES

Balance due School District	\$5,491.00
Land rent due School District	23.34
Dog tax due School District	202.31
Lincoln Young Co. Due July 15, 1940	3,000.00
Refunding Serial Notes Lincoln Young Payable \$1,500 annually	6,000.00
Eva Cutting Note	700.00
Lucy Chamberlain Note	600.00
Total	<u>\$16,016.65</u>

### Financial Report Shows

Net Debt Jan. 31st, 1939	\$17,233.25
Net Debt Jan. 31st, 1940	<u>12,101.15</u>
Decrease	\$5,132.10

### Election and Registration

Otis W. Jordan, services as ballot clerk	\$9.00
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## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

For the Year Ending January 31, 1940

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### Motor Vehicle Permits

Cash received for permits in 1939-40	\$1,220.98
Paid Treasurer	<u>\$1,220.98</u>
Cash received for permits in 1940-41	36.38
Paid Treasurer	<u>\$36.38</u>

### Dog Licenses

Cash received	\$262.00
Paid Treasurer	<u>\$262.00</u>

Respectfully submitted

William H. Jenney,  
Town Clerk.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

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Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1939	\$1,681.18
Lincoln R. Young & Co., Hartford, Conn., Note	12,000.00
W. H. Jenney, Clerk, Motor Vehicle Per- mits	1,257.27
W. H. Jenney, Clerk, Dog Licenses	262.00
State Treasurer, Gas Tax, Class V high- ways	223.83
State Treasurer, Town Road Flood	244.25
State Treasurer, Insurance Tax	18.38
State Treasurer, Railroad Tax	30.12
State Treasurer, Savings Bank Tax	671.60
State Treasurer, Interest and Dividends Tax	6,265.18
Land Rent	23.34
George Rublee, Plowing Snow	17.65
A. E. Lang Est., Plowing Snow	12.00
Town of Plainville, Conn., Reimbursement for Forrest Bates	114.35
Bryant Trust, Oiling Duncan Hill	200.00
Two Cemetery Lots	10.00
Interest on Burnap Fund	68.75
County of Sullivan, Rebate of interest on County Tax	8.07
Philip Hadley, Rent of Town Hall (Plain- field)	9.75
Arthur Whitney, Rent of Town Hall (Meriden)	8.00
Eugene Ouelette, 1936 and 1937 Taxes re- deemed	39.96
George Bryant, 1936-1937 and 1938 Taxes redeemed	32.52
Frank Sawyer, 1937 and 1938 Taxes re- deemed	31.88
Vermont Savings Bank, 1938 tax redeemed	22.77
Flora Daley, 1938 Taxes redeemed	30.90

Grover Chapman Est., 1938 Taxes re- deemed	35.44
Charles Woodward, 1938 Taxes redeemed	41.30
Mascoma Savings Bank, 1938 Taxes re- deemed	39.96
Interests and Costs	12.44
Herman Rogers, 1938 Property Taxes	100.27
Herman Rogers, 1938 Poll Taxes	56.00
Clarence Bean, Collector, 1938 Property Taxes	31.77
1938 Poll Taxes	126.00
1939 Property Taxes	25,496.52
1939 Poll Taxes	780.00
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	\$50,003.45
Selectmen's Orders Paid	47,968.31
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Balance in Treasury Feb. 1, 1940	\$ 2,035.14

Respectfully submitted,

Bessie W. Hill,  
Treasurer.



## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

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### Levy of 1939

Property Tax Committed to Collector	\$25,916.31	
Added Property Tax	31.35	
Poll Tax Committed to Collector	1,032.00	
Added Poll Tax	34.00	
Interest	5.91	
	<hr/>	\$27,019.57

Property Tax Collected	\$25,496.52	
Poll Tax Collected	780.00	
Interest Collected	5.91	
Discount Allowed	194.78	
Property Tax Abated (Error)	181.50	
Poll Tax Abated	14.00	
Uncollected Property Tax	74.86	
Uncollected Poll Tax	272.00	
	<hr/>	\$27,019.57

### Levy of 1938

Uncollected Property Tax, February 1, 1939	\$94.19	
Added Property Tax	83.43	
Uncollected Poll Tax, February 1, 1939	266.00	
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Property Tax Collected	\$132.04	
Poll Tax Collected	182.00	
Property Tax Abated	13.75	
Poll Tax Abated	66.00	
Uncollected Property Tax	31.83	
Uncollected Poll Tax	18.00	
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**Levy of 1937**

Uncollected Property Tax, February 1, 1939	
Uncollected Poll Tax, February 1, 1939	\$18.00

Property Tax Abated	
Poll Tax Abated	18.00
Uncollected Property Tax	

**Redemption from Tax Sales**

Redeemed Taxes Collected	\$224.10	
Interest and Costs Collected	20.00	
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		\$ 244.10
Paid Treasurer		\$ 244.10

Respectfully submitted,

Clarence Bean,  
Tax Collector.

February 1, 1940.

## SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

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Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,011.50
Town Officers' Expenses	585.55
Election and Registration	9.00
Town Hall	91.19
Police Department	143.84
Fire Department	298.51
Bounties	20.80
Dog Damage	59.69
Health Department	8.70
Vital Statistics	12.75
Hospital	223.21
Town Maintenance	5,675.02
Street Lights	110.95
General Expenses of Highway Department	1,365.16
Libraries	102.20
Town Poor	1,040.27
Old Age Assistance	605.25
Memorial Day	15.95
Soldiers Aid	32.00
Cemeteries	31.50
Insurance	190.50
Overtax	48.93
Damage and Legal Expenses	90.10
Taxes Bought by Town	714.36
Interest	692.58
Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region	40.00
T. R. A. Account	805.95
Fire Tools	44.67
Motor Fees to Clerk	106.50
Temporary Loans	12,000.00
Long Term Loan	2,500.00
County Tax	7,095.83
Schools	11,976.27
Burnap Fund	44.00
Painting Town Hall, Meriden	175.58
Total	\$47,968.81



## DETAIL PAYMENTS

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Morris Penniman, Selectman to Mar. 14th, 1939	\$57.00
Fred Mark, Selectman to Mar. 14th, 1939	40.00
Earle W. Colby, Selectman to Mar. 14th, 1939	43.75
Clarence N. Bean, services as Tax Collector	175.00
Bessie Hill, services as Treasurer	100.00
William, Jenney, services as Town Clerk	25.00
Fred Mark, services as Selectman	250.00
Earle W. Colby, services as Selectman	137.75
John W. Whitney, services as Selectman	117.00
Fred Mark, services as Overseer of Poor	30.00
Howard W. Chellis, services as Auditor	18.00
Blancha Daniels, services as Auditor	18.00
	\$1,011.50

### Town Officers' Expenses

Cory-Hewitt, printing reports	\$106.33
Town Officers' expense prior to March, 1939	33.84
Edith Whitney, dinners for Finance Com.	4.00
Clinton Barton, recording Tax Sales	5.50
Wallace Jones, stamps	10.00
Wm. H. Jenney, bonds for town officers	65.00
Cory-Hewitt, stationery	11.75
Howie Press, Tax Bills and stationery	6.55
White River Paper Co., stationery for Town Clerk	5.49
Wheeler and Clark, supplies	22.93
Town Clerk's expense	29.32
Tax Collector's expense	109.45
Treasurer's expense	10.00
Auditor's expense	.95
Fred Mark, expense	111.12
Earle Colby, expense	38.81
John W. Whitney, expense	14.49
	\$585.55
Total	

### **Election and Registration**

Otis W. Jordan, services as Supervisor,	\$9.00
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### **Town Hall Expense**

Central Vermont Public Service Corp.	\$26.80
Mower & Strong, for bulbs	6.72
Earle W. Colby, for stove	3.00
J. W. Whitney, cleaning cellar	2.00
Flynn & Sargent, slating and cleaning chimneys	25.00
Meriden Electric Light & power Co.	8.00
Francis E. Atwood, wood	8.00
Arthur Whitney, labor	1.67
Philip Hadley, labor	10.00
Total	91.19

### **Report of Meriden Town Hall**

Feb. 1st, 1939 to Feb. 1st, 1940

#### **Receipts**

Four musical shows and dances	\$16.00
Janitor's per cent	8.00
Balance paid town	\$8.00

Respectfully submitted,  
Arthur J. Whitney,  
Janitor.

### **Report of Plainfield Town Hall**

2 basketball games	\$3.50
4 musical shows and dances	\$15.00
1 youth's extension	1.00
	\$19.50
Janitor's per cent	9.75
Paid town	\$9.75

Respectfully submitted,  
Philip Hadley,  
Janitor.

## PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

### Police Department

Milton Morse, care of tramps	\$15.00
Milton Morse, constable	10.84
Robert Chapman, care of tramps	35.00
Ellen Chapman	83.00
Total	<hr/> \$143.84

### Fire Department

Ivon Davis Est. fire	\$83.13
George Scott fire	42.00
Maxfield fire	15.00
Parrish fire	72.00
Robert Haskell inspecting extinguishers	6.00
Fire reservoir	64.15
P. C. Read, Fire Warden	6.10
Albert Barton, Deputy Fire Warden	6.00
Perley Coutermarche, watching fire	4.13
Total	<hr/> \$298.51

### Report of the Forest Fire Wardens

Number of forest fires	3
Estimated acreage of area burned over	2.62 acres
Size of average fire	.873 acres
Number of fire permits issued	129

Forest fire fighting tools on hand:

- 10 Knapsack pumps
- 6 Rakes
- 8 Pulaski tools

Palmer C. Read,  
Forest Fire Warden.

R. K. Jordan,  
Clarence W. King,  
Otis W. Jordan,  
Hume Farrington,  
Alfred E. Bean,  
Albert S. Barton,  
Deputy Forest Fire Wardens.

### **Bounties**

104 Hedgehogs	20.80
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### **Damage by Dogs**

John F. McNamara, Constable	\$13.40
Henry Rogers, 3 sheep	19.29
Wm. H. Jenney, Clerk, dog fees	27.00
Total	<u>\$59.69</u>

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### **HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

Dr. E. L. Huse, Health Officer	\$ 8.70
Hospital appropriation	300.00
Town patients	223.21
Total	<u>\$531.91</u>

### **Vital Statistics**

Wm. H. Jenney Recording	\$12.75
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### **Report of Plainfield Free Bed**

During the year January 1, through December 31, 1939 the Plainfield Free Bed Fund in the Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital, Hanover, New Hampshire has rendered 62 days' service to 10 residents of the town of Plainfield, New Hampshire.

The allotment for the Town of Plainfield by the Trustees was \$400.00.

The charges at the minimum hospital rates for service rendered to these patients during the period amounted to \$229.00

Yours very truly,

Donald S. Smith.



## HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

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### Frank Hussey, Road Agent

Frank Hussey	\$238.79
P. Taylor	2.50
C. R. Bates	123.38
H. Jones	27.76
John Bates	30.75
C. E. King, Labor and truck	279.30
J. Scruton	12.13
S. F. Hussey, gravel	7.50
Herbert King, labor and truck	43.00
Ernest Greene	3.75
Wm. Jenney, gravel	17.65
Maurice Camp	3.75
T. Scruton	.75
Telephone	1.10
Walter Williams	12.56
C. W. King, truck, tractor and labor	350.34
Lee Woodward	31.25
Fred Kimball	5.25
E. M. Pierce	75.87
Penniman Est., gravel	2.30
J. W. Whitney, labor and truck	143.76
Francis Donley	6.00
Earle Colby, gravel	8.30
Owen Picknell	2.63
H. Goodwin, gravel	18.15
C. H. Hill, labor and truck	99.51
Forrest Bates	6.00
Harry Rice	3.00
Francis Atwood	7.50
John St. Peter	4.50
Edward Descoteau	1.88
C. H. Williams, gravel	4.60
Levi Hendrick	3.75
Carlton Morse	5.63
F. Sweet	4.13
Edward Bonyea	1.13
Wm. Annal, gravel	4.90
D. C. Westgate	8.60
George Kenyon	5.00

Charles Baker	3.00
Arthur Smith	5.25
E. Bates	3.75
M. Morse	1.50
P. C. Read, Jr.	4.50
S. F. Plummer, supplies	7.06
Ty Barker, supplies	10.50
Everett Williams	130.38
Russell Camp	120.02

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Total	\$1,873.21
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### Herbert King, Road Agent

Herbert King, labor and truck	\$914.53
C. E. King, labor tractor and truck	936.31
Forrest Laurie	55.89
Chester Lull	30.39
Ernest Greene	187.73
P. Taylor	7.50
Donald King	86.28
Eugene Fadden	204.98
Gardeners Garage, repairs	7.00
Albert Pecor	3.00
Roland Jones	49.70
E. Langley	4.50
George Parker, blacksmith	8.20
Maurice Camp	2.50
Philip Drake	9.01
Robert Bean	7.32
Ralph Bean	2.82
C. Langley	4.25
Elbert Barton	3.38
Ralph Sanborn	7.51
Willis Merrihew	1.13
Irving Woodward	32.64
Roland Stone	9.75
Frederick Penniman, gravel	16.35
Charles Williams, gravel	18.30
Ty Barker, supplies	14.70
Harold Woodward	18.76
Earle Woodward	9.76
George Twombly	17.63
Osborne Rudd	10.13
S. F. Hussey, gravel	19.15

Leslie Magoon	1.13
John Demers	80.74
Leon Magoon	4.50
A. H. Jones & Son, supplies	42.46
Fred Kimball	15.00
Wilbur Drake	79.33
Everett LeBaron, labor and gravel	20.26
Irving Woodward	8.00
John LaPan	2.63
Clayton Bonner	44.26
R. G. Bartlett	6.13
Fred Talbert	13.13
Charles Tomkinson, gravel	47.60
Eugene Ouilette, gravel	3.00
Charles Stobel	7.70
R. Langley	1.88
J. McNamara	1.00
Albert Barker, labor and gravel	24.00
Fred Jones	1.50
Arthur LeClair	60.21
Stephen Davis	9.01
Leslie Dodge	10.13
Herman Rogers	7.13
Clarence King, tractor and labor	128.57
Carl Greenwood	6.00
Clyde Harrington	3.00
Everett Williams, labor and truck	10.00
H. W. Chellis Est.	4.13
Fred Barker	3.00
Earl Barker	17.25
Ralph Dodge	9.38
Fred Mark	1.50
David Mark	1.50
Frank Smith	4.13
Harry Stone	1.88

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Total	\$3,382.17
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**Total Expense for Town**

Total King	\$3,382.17
Total Hussey	1,873.21
General Expense	1,365.16
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Total	\$6,620.54

### STREET LIGHTING

Central Vermont Public Service Corp.	\$47.93
Meriden Electric Light & Power Co.	63.02
Total	<hr/> \$110.95

### GENERAL EXPENSE PAID BY SELECTMEN

Split Ball Bearing Co.	\$1.88
Claremont Advocate, road signs	3.75
Dyar Sales & Machine Co., plow and wings	325.00
P. I. Perkins, road grader	375.00
Gardner's Garage, repairing snow plow	63.40
Clarence King, bridge plank	75.44
Wilmer Spaulding, bridge plank	58.05
Casellini Venable Corp.	6.95
John Demers, bridge plank	155.95
N. P. Clough & Co., bridge plank	38.36
Frank Hussey, gravel, etc.	51.33
P. C. Read, bridge plank	120.95
Paul Baptista, bridge plank	50.00
Ty L. Barker Co., supplies	5.37
Otis W. Jordan, pass over land 2 years	10.00
Forest Read, lumber and labor	26.33
Total	<hr/> \$1,365.16

### LIBRARIES

Library Tax	\$49.20
Edith Whitney, as librarian	20.00
Mary Freeman, as librarian	20.00
Edith Whitney, as janitor	6.00
Meriden Electric Light & Power Co.	7.00
Total	<hr/> \$102.20



## **TOWN POOR**

Appropriation \$2,500.00

Donald Coutermarsh	\$184.60
Bert Smith	58.50
<b>Forrest Bates*</b>	<b>118.77</b>
Fred Kimball	239.06
Soldiers Aid	40.00
Frank Green	98.00
Chas. Strobel	27.00
<b>Emma Jenks</b>	<b>47.00</b>
Ellen Chapman	15.00
Robert Chapman	173.50
<b>Fred Jones</b>	<b>13.50</b>
E. Merrihew	47.78
Asa Walker	9.56
Old Age Assistance	605.25
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	\$1,677.52
*Refund on Forrest Bates from Plainville, Conn.	114.35
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Total	\$1,563.17

## **MEMORIAL DAY**

Appropriation \$25.00

Windsor News Co. for flags	\$15.95
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## **CEMETERIES**

J. W. Whitney, hurricane damage	\$16.00
J. W. Whitney, care of Gilkey Cemetery	12.00
F. S. Penniman, care of Penniman Cemetery	3.50
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Total	\$31.50

## INSURANCE

Brook School House	\$25.00
Plainfield Town Hall	33.00
Meriden Town Hall	70.25
Plainfield Library	22.25
Plainfield School House	40.00
Total	<hr/> \$190.50

## DAMAGE AND LEGAL EXPENSE

New Hampshire Assessors, dues	\$2.00
Harry E. Jameson, list of probate estates	1.10
Clinton K. Barton, real estate transfers	14.00
Winfield M. Chaplin, certified copy of deed	1.25
Mrs. Alton Mark, typing	1.25
Palmer C. Read, perambulating town line	10.50
Earle W. Colby, perambulating town line	14.00
John W. Whitney, perambulating town line	14.00
Marion J. Carter, damage by snow plow	7.00
Ira G. Colby, retainer fee and expenses	25.00
Total	<hr/> \$90.10

## TAXES BOUGHT BY TOWN

Taxes bought by Town of 1939 Tax Sale	\$714.36
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## INTEREST

Lincoln Young & Co., long term notes	\$344.20
Lincoln Young & Co., temporary notes	278.47
Chamberlain note	36.00
Eva Cutting note	28.00
Interest on Taxes paid Collector	5.91
Total	<hr/> \$692.58

### **MOTOR FEES TO CLERK**

Wm. H. Jenney, Clerk	\$106.50
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### **OVERTAX**

Clarence Cole	\$15.18
Central Vt. Public Service Corp.	33.75
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Total	\$48.93

### **TEMPORARY LOANS**

Lincoln Young & Co.	\$12,000.00
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### **LONG TERM NOTE**

	\$2,500.00
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### **COUNTY TAX**

County Tax	\$7,095.83
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### **SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Wm. Jenney, district treasurer	\$11,976.27
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### **BURNAP FUND**

Expended for worthy poor	\$44.00
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## AUDITORS' REPORT

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This is to certify that we have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Treasurer, and other officers of the Town of Plainfield for the year ended January 31, 1940, and find the same correctly cast and properly vouched.

Howard W. Chellis,  
Blancha L. Daniels,  
Auditors.

Plainfield, N. H.  
February 12, 1940



## ELIJAH BURNAP FUND

New Hampshire Savings Bank  
In Hands of Trustees of Trust Fund

Amount of principal	\$2,750.80
Balance of income on hand beginning of year	88.13
Income during year	68.75
Expended	44.00
Balance on hand at end of year	112.88

Respectfully submitted,

Fred A. Mark,  
Earle W. Colby,  
John W. Whitney,  
Selectmen.

# REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF PLAINFIELD ON JANUARY 31, 1940

Creation Date of	NAME OF FUND	HOW INVESTED	Amount of Principal					Income on hand at begin. of year	Income during year	Expended during year	Balance at end of year
			\$	%	%	%	%	\$	\$	\$	\$
1890	Junius Spencer .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	300.00	2 1/2				5.64	7.61	8.00	5.25
1890	Lucy Parker Chamberlain .....	Town Note .....	600.00	6				none	36.00	36.00	none
1890	Cyrus Smith .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	50.00	2 1/2				16.60	1.63	5.00	13.23
1896	Esther F. Wright .....	Amoskeag Savings Bank .....	100.00	3				7.03	2.93	3.50	7.46
1903	Westgate-Peterson .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	150.00	3 1/2				9.52	4.33	2.50	10.35
1905	Sophia R. Baker .....	New Hampshire Savings Bank .....	150.00	2 1/2				7.86	3.87	5.00	6.73
1909	Elijah Burnap .....	New Hampshire Savings Bank .....	2750.80	2 1/2				none	68.75	68.75	none
1910	Jason Johnston .....	New Hampshire Savings Bank .....	300.00	2 1/2				90.85	9.63	35.00	65.48
1910	A. M. & M. D. Rowell .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	100.00	2 1/2				5.40	2.61	2.00	6.01
1911	Mary True .....	New Hampshire Savings Bank .....	500.00	2 1/2				none	12.50	12.50	none
1912	Philea Spencer .....	Amoskeag Savings Bank .....	200.00	3				48.47	6.29	10.00	44.76
1912	Amos Bugbee .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	50.00	2 1/2				4.70	1.32	2.00	4.02
1912	Wilbur Smith .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	100.00	2 1/2				9.44	2.72	5.00	7.12
1913	George T. Avery .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	100.00	2 1/2				10.55	2.73	5.00	8.33
1913	H. A. & H. F. Cutting .....	Amoskeag Savings Bank .....	300.00	2 1/2				15.51	8.58	35.49	16.09
1913	Gleason .....	Mascoma Savings Bank .....	307.63	2 1/2				48.21	1.56	8.00	21.98
1913	Betty A. Sargent .....	Mascoma Savings Bank .....	50.00	2 1/2				14.67	7.75	10.00	6.26
1914	Mary F. Wood .....	New Hampshire Savings Bank .....	300.00	2 1/2				45.78	7.75	10.00	48.53
1914	Avery Morgan .....	New Hampshire Savings Bank .....	50.00	2 1/2				1.19	1.33	2.00	3.45
1915	George C. Freeman .....	Mascoma Savings Bank .....	150.00	3 1/2				58.42	5.24	28.51	35.15
1915	Mrs. G. W. Clark .....	Newport Savings Bank .....	50.00	3 1/2				26.12	2.21	10.00	21.33
1915	Abbie F. Spaulding .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	100.00	3 1/2				5.83	2.55	2.55	2.55
1915	Oliver Strowbridge .....	Amoskeag Savings Bank .....	300.00	3 1/2				28.72	3.00	6.00	28.4
1917	Alice G. Martin .....	New Hampshire Savings Bank .....	50.00	3 1/2				7.82	1.30	2.00	2.90
1918	Duty Stickney .....	New Hampshire Savings Bank .....	100.00	3 1/2				20.99	2.81	3.00	7.63
1920	Chester C. Beckley .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	250.00	2 1/2				56.47	6.98	10.00	17.34
1921	Emma A. Willis .....	New Hampshire Savings Bank .....	200.00	2 1/2				853.60	20.92	50.00	12.45
1922	Moulton Yard Fund .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	500.00	2 1/2				52.95	12.79	14.32	77.00
1923	Francis Daniels .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	50.00	2 1/2				2.56	1.24	1.00	2.80
1924	Henry C. Daniels .....	Amoskeag Savings Bank .....	3000.00	3 1/2				none	90.68	90.68	none
1924	Edmund S. Read .....	New Hampshire Savings Bank .....	500.00	2 1/2				58.44	13.38	20.00	51.82

1926	Marion Eastman .....	New Hampshire Savings Bank .....	200.00	2 1/2 %	none	5.00	5.00	none
1929	F. L. Hudson .....	New Hampshire Savings Bank .....	50.00	2 1/2 %	none	1.25	1.00	2.45
1929	Charles & Lucia Williams .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	100.00	3, 2 1/2 %	4.57	2.55	3.00	4.12
1930	William E. Westgate .....	Manchester Savings Bank .....	100.00	3, 2 1/2 %	5.97	2.83	3.00	5.80
1930	Ella M. Richardson .....	Manchester Savings Bank .....	400.00	3, 2 1/2 %	54.40	12.19	50.00	16.59
1930	Melliecent M. Miller .....	New Hampshire Savings Bank .....	300.00	2 1/2 %	33.51	8.33	none	42.14
1931	Lucy P. Chamberlain .....	New Hampshire Savings Bank .....	1100.00	2 1/2 %	79.87	28.62	38.94	63.55
1931	Samuel C. Harrington .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	50.00	2 1/2 %	3.10	1.32	1.50	2.92
1931	Emma J. Rice .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	100.00	2 1/2 %	4.87	2.62	2.00	5.49
1932	Hattie L. Chellis .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	100.00	2 1/2 %	9.93	2.74	5.00	7.67
1932	Mary J. Doyle .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	50.00	2 1/2 %	2.42	1.31	none	3.73
1934	George B. Cole .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	200.00	2 1/2 %	10.42	5.28	5.00	10.70
1936	Madge Daniels .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	1000.00	2 1/2 %	77.31	26.46	none	103.77
1937	Edward C. Daniels .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	1000.00	2 1/2 %	50.92	25.79	none	76.71
1937	Frank W. True, Plain Cem. ..	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	50.00	2 1/2 %	.75	1.25	1.00	1.00
1937	Frank W. True, Freeman Cem. ..	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	150.00	2 1/2 %	5.29	3.89	none	9.18
1937	George E. Reed .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	100.00	2 1/2 %	.34	2.01	2.00	.35
1938	Frank J. Chadbourne .....	Windsor Savings Bank .....	100.00	2 1/2 %	none	2.51	2.00	.51
1939	Frank J. Chadbourne .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	100.00	2 1/2 %	none	.76	none	.76
1939	Earle Westgate .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	50.00	3, 2 1/2 %	none	none	none	none
1939	Mabel E. Short .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	150.00	2 1/2 %	none	none	none	none
1939	Susan L. Clark .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	100.00	2 1/2 %	none	none	none	none
					\$1089.08	\$503.77	\$651.21	\$941.64

Morris G. Penniman,      Howard Zea,      John W. Whitney, Trustees.

## CLARA FREEMAN FUND

Dartmouth Savings Bank

Blancha L. Daniels, Trustee

Amount of principal	\$159.25
Rate of interest	2½ %
Balance of income at beginning of year	111.92
Interest for the year	6.58
Expended during the year	14.14
Balance on hand at end of year	104.36

## MERIDEN LIBRARY

### Receipts

Cash on hand January 30, 1939	\$2.83
Received from Selectmen	24.60
Mary True Fund	6.25
Marion Eastman Fund	5.00
Abbie Spaulding Fund	1.27
Fines for books and non-residents	2.10
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	\$42.05

### Disbursements

Paid for books	\$36.84
Cleaning library	1.50
Stamps	.12
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	38.46
Cash on hand January 30, 1940	<hr/> \$3.59
Fifteen books given by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Woodward	
Two books given by Miss Helen Richards	

Respectfully submitted,

Mary A. Freeman,  
Ethel P. Duncklee,  
Edith M. Whitney,  
Trustees.



## PHILIP READ MEMORIAL LIBRARY

### Plainfield

#### Receipts

Balance on hand January 31, 1939	\$83.13
Received from selectmen	24.60
Edmond Read Fund	90.68
Mary True Fund	6.25
Abbie Spaulding Fund	1.28
Fines	1.05
Interest on savings account	1.29
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	\$208.28

#### Disbursements

Electric lights	\$12.00
Wood	9.00
Spraying trees	2.25
Repairing lawn mower	1.50
Cutting up apple trees	3.00
Piling wood and typing	1.20
Books	49.32
Labor on lawn	12.00
Janitor	11.50
Incidentals	.97
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	\$102.74
Balance on hand January 31, 1940	105.54
In closed State National Bank, Windsor	5.08
Books given by Mrs. Short and Mrs. Etta True	

Respectfully submitted,

Lucy, F. Bishop

Sarah C. Whitaker,

Thomas J. Ingram,

Trustees.

## VITAL STATISTICS

### Marriages

Registered in the Town of Plainfield, N. H., for the  
Year Ending December 31, 1939

Date, Where Married, Name of Parties, and  
By Whom Married

- \*Oct. 29, 1938 Farmington, N. H., Oakes H. Ellis  
and Madeline E. Smith. By N. L. Park-  
er, Justice of the Peace.
- Jan. 18. Plainfield, N. H., Lee Earle Woodward  
and Katherine Etta Smith. By N. O.  
Bowlby, Clergyman.
- Feb. 31. Newport, N. H., Maurice Henry Crate  
and Rita Frances Kecz. By Micheal R.  
Griffin, Catholic Priest.
- June 24. Lebanon, N. H., Lucien Clyde Laurie, and  
Virginia Eunice Johnson. By Walter  
Brockway, Clergyman.
- June 30. Plainfield, N. H., Stanley Wood and Er-  
nestine Mills. By N. O. Bowlby, Clergy-  
man.
- Aug. 4. Plainfield, N. H., Everett Warren Camer-  
on and Bertha Viola Colby. By H. Haw-  
kins, Rector St. Paul's Church.
- Sept. 17. Plainfield, N. H., Stephen W. Davis and  
Henrieta Z. Stearns. By Philip D. Cham-  
berlain, Clergyman.
- Sept. 23. West Lebanon, N. H., Daniel William  
Westgate and Jessie Louise Cutts. By  
Walter Brockway, Clergyman.
- Sept. 23. White River Jct., Vt., Herbert George  
Bean and Vera Mable Mark. By C.  
Clayton, Clergyman.
- Nov. 29. Hardwick, Vt., George Carroll McNam-  
ara and Eva Mae Simpson. By John C.  
Smith, Clergyman.
- Dec. 31. Plainfield, N. H., Hans Edward Nicholai-  
sen and Hope Cotton Daniels. By Fran-  
cis P. Daniels, Clergyman.

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\*Omitted in 1938 Town Report by error.

## Births

Registered in the Town of Plainfield, N. H., for the  
Year Ending December 31, 1940

Date, Name of Child, Name of Father, and  
Maiden Name of Mother

- Apr. 3. Dorothy May Magoon; Leon Perley Magoon and Caroline Annabelle Merrihew.  
Apr. 11. Roxanna Lee LaClair; Arthur Clyde LaClair and Ester Violet West.  
Apr. 17. David Frederick Carver; Frederick Eugene Carver and Jessie Mary Graham.  
May 10. Bertha Marie Strobel; Charles Herman Strobel and Martha Lillian Merrihew.  
May 11. Mabel Addie Rogers; Herman Daniel Rogers and Ruth Lutheria Atwood.  
June 9. Daniel Ernest Griswold; Clifford Griswold and Elizabeth B. Tobin.  
June 13. Stephen Howard Taylor; Lawrence Hoe Taylor and Edith Estelle Howard.  
June 28. Dexter William Eddy; William Manley Eddy and Stella Jessie Flint.  
July 10. Caroline Ann Poland; Forest Hiram Poland and Eva Leda Fournier.  
July 10. Norman Arthur Cabral; Arthur Charles Cabral and Elizabeth Augusta Blake.  
July 29. Vera May Howe; Edward Carl Howe and Hazel Adelaide Martin.  
Aug. 10. Marjorie Abbie Holt; Sumner Sherman Holt and Irene Edna Chapman.  
Sept. 2. Shirley Ann Raymond; Leon Leslie Raymond and Frances Ethel Colburn.  
Sept. 5. Robert Hunt Kimball; Stephen Francis Kimball and Catherine Hunt.  
Sept. 15. Marion May Morse; Milton Wyman Morse and Stella Irene Emery.  
Sept. 28. Charles Alfred Merrill; Alfred Linwood Merrill and Margaret May Clough.  
Dec. 16. Martha Ann Bowlby; Walter Durgin Bowlby and Evelyn Thaw Matthews.  
Dec. 23. Mary Louise Hilliard; Ray Emery Hilliard and Carrie Rachel Lane.

## Deaths

Registered in the Town of Plainfield, N. H., for the  
Year Ending December 31, 1939

Date, Name and Age			Years	Months	Days
Jan. 19.	Brainard William Penniman	64	3	17	
Jan. 21.	Ruth Ivey Porter	45	2	3	
Jan. 22.	Maude Lockwood	62	6	15	
Feb. 1.	Frank V. Pierce	85	9	2	
Feb. 2.	George Washington Lovejoy	80	3	20	
Feb. 13.	William Henry Downer	79	11	12	
Feb. 23.	Thomas A. Daley	66	4	16	
Mar. 9.	Sarah Moulton Scales Baker	83	8	29	
Mar. 15.	William Edward Westgate	53	6	8	
Mar. 28.	Albert K. Read	81		9	
Apr. 11.	Ada Louise Peterson	76	8	11	
July 2.	Harland Eugene Stockwell	45	11	24	
July 26.	Lona Wilder	80	1	20	
Aug. 23.	Robert Loren Chapman	78	11	2	
Sept. 9.	Alma Frances Davis	75	8	17	
Sept. 10.	Linna Annie Holt	85	2	19	
Oct. 14.	Mabel E. Short	55	7	22	
Nov. 15.	Susan Louise Pritchard Clark	79	7	24	
Dec. 2.	George Herbert Dow	73	11	16	
Dec. 15.	Loren Magoon	77	3	12	
Dec. 16.	Lizzie A. Richards	75	10	3	
Dec. 26.	William Monell	71	1	20	
Dec. 31.	Alma H. Wood	86	1	16	

William H. Jenney,  
Town Clerk.

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
OF PLAINFIELD**

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**Officers of the District**

**Moderator**

CONVERSE A. CHELLIS

**Clerk**

J. W. WHITNEY

**Treasurer**

WILLIAM H. JENNEY

**School Board**

BLANCH A. DANIELS, Chairman  
(Term expires March, 1940)

ETHEL P. DUNCKLEE  
(Term expires March, 1941)

HARRIET A. WILLIAMS  
(Term expires March, 1942)

**Superintendent of Schools**

WILLIAM J. ENGLISH

**School Nurse**

MRS. ROBERT HASHAM

**Auditor**

HOWARD W. CHELLIS

**Truant Officer**

JOHN F. McNAMARA



## PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT

### WARRANT

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#### THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the School District of the Town of Plainfield, in the County of Sullivan, in said State, qualified to vote in District Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall at Meriden in said District on Tuesday, the 12th day of March, 1940 at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

**Article I.** To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.

**Article II.** To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

**Article III.** To choose a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

**Article IV.** To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

**Article V.** To choose auditors or other agents for the ensuing year.

**Article VI.** To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees and other officers heretofore chosen, and to pass any vote relating thereto.

**Article VII.** To see if the District will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools, and the payment of the statutory obligations of the District as determined by the School Board in its annual report.

**Article VIII.** To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 19th day of February, nineteen hundred and forty.

Blancha L. Daniels,  
Ethel P. Dunklee,  
Harriet A. Williams,  
Plainfield School Board.

A true copy of warrant attest:

Blancha L. Daniels,  
Ethel P. Dunklee,  
Harriet A. Williams,  
Plainfield School Board.

# FINANCIAL REPORT PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT

(Year Ending June 30, 1939)

## Current Revenue

State Aid	\$5,043.39
Selectmen (1938 assessment)	10,021.00
Selectmen (Bal. 1937 assessment)	1,293.10
Dog Tax—2 years	378.27
Tuition—Enfield	80.00
Land Rent—2 years	115.81
Refunds	17.14
Public Works Administration	4,494.78
Claremont National Bank	2,610.00
Balance on hand July 1, 1938	1,628.28

Grand Total Receipts	\$25,681.77
Transferred to New Building Account	10,104.78

Leaving Net for Support of Schools, etc	\$15,576.99
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## Current Expenses

Salaries of District Officers	\$223.00
Superintendent's Excess Salary	400.00
Truant Officer and Census	2.00
Expense of Administration	122.33
Teachers' Salaries	6,775.00
Textbooks	197.77
Scholars' Supplies	225.51
Flags and Appurtenances	12.80
Other Expenses of Instruction	10.82
Janitor Service	399.27
Fuel	344.14
Water, Light, Janitor Supplies	89.89
Minor Repairs and Expenses	439.62
Medical Inspection	298.50
Transportation of Pupils	2,347.45
High School and Academy Tuition	2,827.99
Other Special Activities	5.10
Tax for Statewide Supervision	376.00
Insurance	76.97
New Equipment	29.00

Total Expenditures	\$15,203.16
Balance on hand at end of year	373.83

Grand Total	\$15,576.99
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# BALANCE SHEET

## PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT

June 30, 1939

### Assets

Cash on hand	\$373.83
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### Liabilities

Claremont National Bank	\$2,610.00
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## TREASURER'S REPORT

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1939

Cash on hand July 1, 1938	\$1,628.28
State Treasurer (State Aid)	5,043.39
Selectmen (1938 assessment)	10,021.00
Selectmen (Bal. 1937 assessment)	1,293.10
Dog Tax	378.27
Enfield School District—tuition	80.00
Land Rent	115.81
Refunds	17.14
Public Works Admin. (New Bldg. Acct.)	4,494.78
Claremont Nat'l Bank (New Bldg. Acct.)	2,610.00

Grand Total Receipts	\$25,681.77
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Less School Board's Orders Paid:

Current Expenses	\$15,203.16
New Building Account	10,104.78

Grand Total Payments	25,307.94
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Cash on hand June 30, 1939	\$373.83
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## **SCHOOL BOARD'S BUDGET FOR 1940-1941**

### **Detailed Statement of Estimated Expenditures**

(Note) Amount of \$5 tax necessary to  
obtain State Aid \$5,739.11

#### **Support of Schools:**

Teachers Salaries	\$6,800.00	
Textbooks	175.00	
Supplies	175.00	
Flags and Appurtenances	10.00	
Other Expense of Instruction	15.00	
Janitor Service	431.00	
Water, Light and Janitor Supplies	75.00	
Fuel	400.00	
Minor Repairs and Expenses	200.00	
Health Supervision	320.00	
Transportation of Pupils	2,600.00	
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		\$11,201.00

#### **Other Statutory Requirements:**

Salaries of District Officers	\$223.00	
Truant Officer and Census	12.00	
Payment of Tuition to High Schools and Academies	3,500.00	
Supt.'s Excess Salary— (fixed by Superv'y Union)	400.00	
Payment of Interest	85.00	
Payment of Debt	522.00	
Per Capita Tax	396.00	
New Equipment	100.00	
Expense of Administration	75.00	
Insurance	125.00	
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		5,438.00

Total amount required to  
meet School Board's Budget \$16,639.00

#### **Estimated Income of District**

Balance, June 30, 1940 (estimated)	\$50.00
State Aid	4,617.23
Dog Tax (estimated)	75.00



Income from Trust Funds (estimated)	60.00	
Elementary School Tuition (estimated)	80.00	
	<hr/>	\$4,882.23
Assessment required to balance School Board's Budget		\$11,756.77

## NEW BUILDING ACCOUNT

(Meriden Grade School)  
1938—1939

### Receipts

P. W. A. Grant	\$4,494.78
Balance from School Account	3,000.00
Loan (Claremont Nat'l Bank)	2,610.00
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Total	\$10,104.78
From General Fund	86.47
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Grand Total Receipts	\$10,191.25

### Payments

Preliminary Expenses	\$123.77
Land, Legal Fees and Survey	519.28
Construction Costs and Equipment	8,831.77
Engineering	579.29
Legal and Administrative	89.29
Interest	47.85
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Total Payments	\$10,191.25

## AUDITOR'S REPORT

This is to certify that I have examined the books and other financial records of the School Board of Plainfield, of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1939, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

Howard W. Chellis,  
Auditor.

## ENROLLMENT

September, 1939

<b>No. Pupils in Grades</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Total</b>
Meriden Primary	7	6	5	8					26
Hazel Dodge									
Meriden Grammar					7	5	1	6	19
Ruth Berry									
Plainfield Primary	10	8	7	4					29
Jeanette Bowlby									
Plainfield Grammar					12	3	8	6	29
David Armstrong									
East Plainfield	2	3	3	1	2	6	1	2	20
Gretchen O'Mara									
Brook	2	3	2	4	5	1	0	1	18
Nina Nutting									
Methodist Hill	4	2	0	3	0	3	1	2	15
Josephine Crane									
Totals	25	22	17	20	26	18	11	17	156

## GENERAL STATISTICS

For the Year Ending June 30, 1939

	<b>'37-'38</b>	<b>'38-'39</b>
Number of children enrolled	170	175
Average membership	152.2	156.7
Average attendance	144.8	146.7
Per cent of attendance	94.74	93
Number of days school in session	174	174
Number of pupils transported at		
District expense	37	60
Number of secondary school students	26	39
Annual average salaries of teachers	887.50	912.50
Number visits by Superintendent	129	111
Number visits by Board members	23	12
Number visits by Citizens	386	508

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

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To the School Board and Citizens of Plainfield:

It is a pleasure to hand you herewith my seventh annual report on the conditions and activities of the Plainfield schools. This is the twenty-first in a series of such reports under professional supervision.

### **Teacher Changes**

Four teacher changes are noted, although only three new teachers are employed in the District. Miss Jeannette Bowlby, who had been at the East Plainfield school last year, was transferred to the primary room at Plainfield. Her position at East Plainfield is filled by Miss Gretchen O'Mara, while Miss Ruth Berry and Miss Nina Nutting take over the work of the grammar room at Meriden and the Brook school respectively. These three new teachers are in their first year of employment as teachers.

### **Transportation**

Due to the new school building at Meriden some slight change in the transportation route at Meriden is noticeable, but no change in conveyance or amount paid the conveyer is effected.

At the Plainfield Plain school the conveyer from the Spencer district makes two trips, the second one from the Plain school to the Descoteau home near the center of the town. This second trip, necessitated by the conditions of the road and its location, nearly doubles the cost of transportation from the Spencer school area. At the decease of Mrs. Casper Short last November a slight re-arrangement was made in the

River district transportation route, which was taken over by Mr. Berwick, whereby he takes on a few of the children normally belonging to the Black Hill route as well as those on the River route. The moving of families from one neighborhood to another often-times upsets a whole transportation schedule and very often with consequent increase in transportation expenses.

### **New School Building**

The new school building is being used this year and, I am sure, very much enjoyed by the teachers and school children. Apparently the heating and lighting facilities are adequate and the location is not too great an inconvenience to any. If it were, the large playground is sufficient to more than make up for any loss in other respects. An accounting of the cost of the building will be found on another page.

### **Minor Repairs**

Some minor repairs were made at the East Plainfield school, where the interior was entirely redecorated, as was the interior of the Brook school. At the first opportunity, when money is available, some attempt should be made to install septic tank toilets at both of these buildings, as well as put a new floor in the Brook school.

### **Prizes and Awards**

The prizes offered by the Honorable H. E. Ward for essays on patriotic subjects were awarded by the judges as follows:

	<b>Eastern Section</b>	<b>Western Section</b>
1st prize	Pauline Gode	Bernard Stone
2nd prize	Mildred Baptista	Doris King
3rd prize	Wallace Jones	Elmer Gibson

### **Music in the Schools**

Mr. George Low continues to do some very nice work with the children in all of the schools in music. I think the operetta at Plainfield last year, the music at graduation time at both Plainfield and Meriden, as well as the small operettas put on for Christmas entertainment at both of the village schools would bear out this claim.

### **Budget**

The budget as prepared for next year is larger than heretofore. This is principally on account of the increase in transportation and high school tuition charges that are anticipated. The per-pupil cost for Plainfield is less than the median cost for the State. The median cost for the State is \$81.07, while that of Plainfield is \$78.64. This does not consider the cost of the tuition pupils in high school. The tax rate per thousand of equalized valuation for the schools of Plainfield is lower than 91 districts out of the 241 in the State.

### **Health Work**

A report of Mrs. Hasham, the School Nurse, is included. I think we are all agreed that Mrs. Hasham has done a splendid piece of work for the children of Plainfield in the matter of getting the various defects remedied through following up the work with the parents and seeing that children get to clinics or hospitals. A dental clinic with very much success and smoothness was carried on at both Meriden and Plainfield.



## Report of the School Nurse

January, 1939—January, 1940

The school health service consists of home visits made by the school nurse to talk over with parents the handicapping conditions found during routine health inspection.

	Noted Defects	Corrected
No. pupils with enlarged tonsils	10	4
No. pupils with enlarged glands	10	4
No. pupils with defective vision	10	2
No. pupils with defective hearing	6	
No. pupils needing dental attention	70+	65
No. pupils who are underweight	17	4
No. home visits	32	
No. school visits	94	

The successful school dental clinic held in November was sponsored by the Meriden-Plainfield Red Cross chapter

Zephyrine L. Hasham, R. N.  
School Nurse.

## Conclusion

It was a pleasure during the school year 1938-1939 to work with the local school committee and building committee on the construction of the new school-house at Meriden. I think that while there was a great deal of necessary red tape connected with the Public Works Administration and many additional school board meetings were necessary, consuming of time and patience, every one felt that the other person had been most cooperative and helpful. The school board should be commended for its achievement in bringing the project to a successful conclusion and keeping within its allotment of money.

Respectfully submitted,  
William J. English,  
Superintendent of Schools.

February 3, 1940

## PLAINFIELD TUITION PUPILS

1939-1940

### Kimball Union Academy

	Gr.		Gr.
Baptista, Mildred	9	Jones, Wallace	9
Camp, Myron	10	Lamb, Mary	11
Chapman, Elizabeth	12	Moxey, Sherlin	9
Chellis, Frank	12	Porter, Clifton	12
Dunklee, John	10	Whitney, Dana	11

### Lebanon High School

Barker, Doris	10	Glode, Pauline	9
Blair, Camille	12	Griswold, Elizabeth	9
Blair, Robert	10	McNamara, Carolyn	11
Chapman, Laura	12	Mark, Leslie	10
Charbono, Doris	9	Merrihew, Frances	10
Crate, Donald	9	Perkins, Melba	11
Cutts, Robert	11	Porter, Paul	9
Cutts, Stanley	11	Thibault, Henry	10
Harlow, Doris	12	West, Naomi	9
Harlow, Eleanor	12	Woodward, Shirley	9

### West Lebanon High School

King, Doris	9	Pritt, Rosemarie*	9
King, Everett	10	Raymond, Herbert*	9
King, Steven	12		

### Stevens High, Claremont

Hill, Vera	12	Smith, Ruth	9
Lear, Dorothy	10		

### Windsor, Vt., High

Bernard, Helen	12	Peterson, Hugh	10
Gibson, Elizabeth	10	Peterson, John	12
Gibson, Elmer	9	Rogers, John	12
Morse, Clifford	9	Stone, Bernard	9

\*Moved Away.

## GRADUATES FROM THE EIGHTH GRADE

### Plainfield School District

June 9, 1939

Baptista, Mildred E.	Griswold, Elizabeth A.
Bean, Raymond L.	Jones, Wallace D.
Crate, Donald A.	King, Doris M.
Dube, Lorette A.	Morse, Clifford D.
Emery, Frances E.	Moxcey, Carl S.
Gibson, Elmer B.	Porter, Paul L.
Glode, Pauline M.	Smith, Ruth L.
Gobin, Robert	Stone, Bernard W.
Green, Catherine E.	West, Naomi A.
Green, Robert B.	Woodward, Shirley A.

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

### Plainfield School District

1940-1941

September	3	School Opens
October	18	State Teachers' Convention
November	28	Thanksgiving Recess Begins
December	3	School Reopens
December	20	Christmas Recess Begins
January	6	School Reopens
March	14	Spring Recess Begins
March	31	Spring Term Begins
May	30	Memorial Day—No School
June	13	School Year Ends

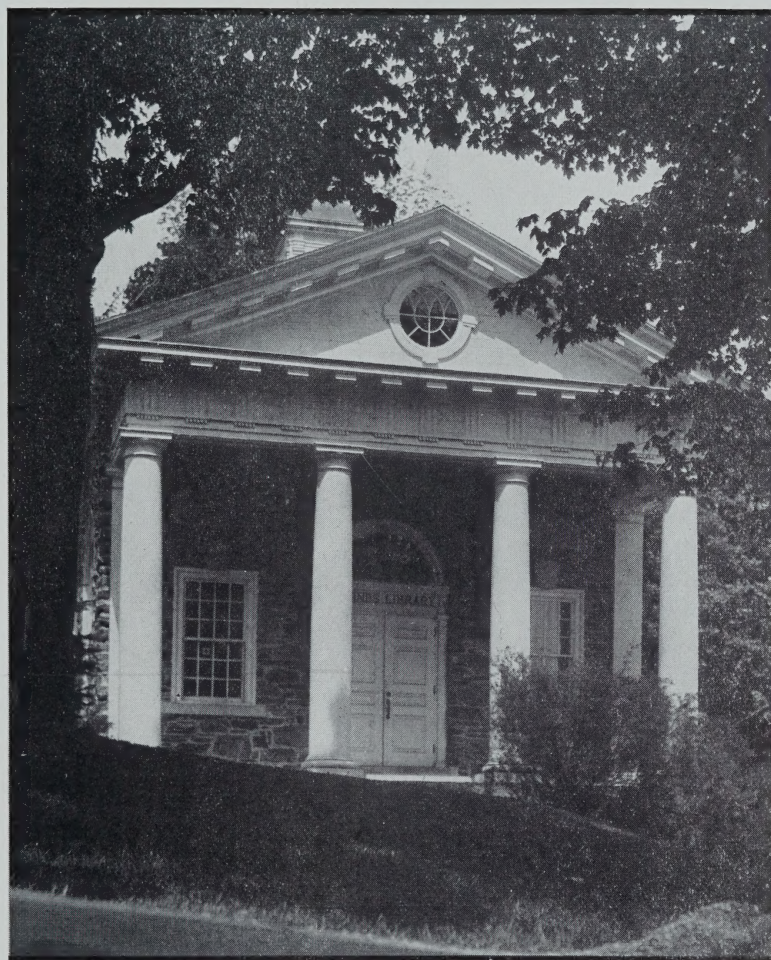
Term	Term Begins	Term Ends	No. Wks.
Fall	September 3	December 20	15
Winter	January 6	March 14	11
Spring	March 31	June 13	11
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